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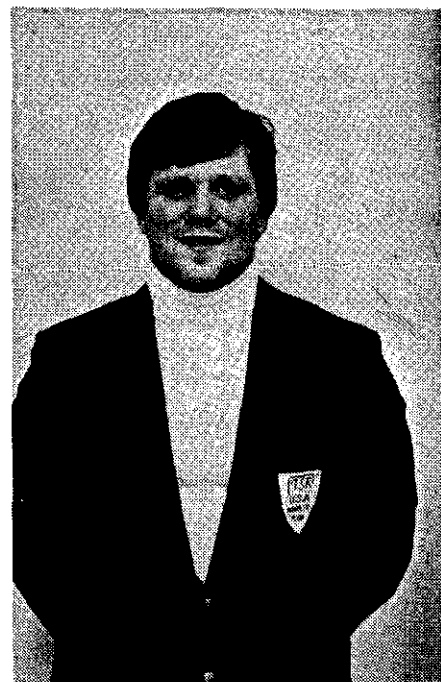
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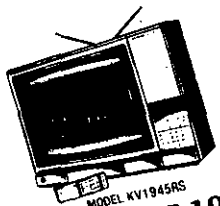
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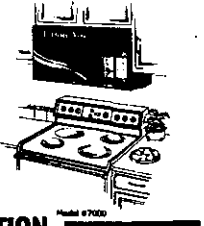
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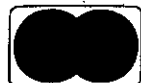
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THE CHIROPRACTIC REPORT

All About The
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DR. JAMES J. BARILE



CHIROPRACTOR

It has been one year since we opened our office in Delmar. My how time flies. My family and I have moved into the Delmar area as fulltime residents, and we also began a fulltime practice. My associate has taken over my Hudson practice. This leaves me free to take care of the many health needs of the people in this community on a daily basis.

I personally want to thank the people of this community for the warm reception we have received and for the many patients who have walked through our doors in need of help, many of which are still patients on a regular basis.

This column will appear weekly. It will give me an opportunity to share with you my views on health and life; which will give me an almost personal contact with you and your family. The family unit is important to me and the health and welfare of that family is even more important.

Many of the things I talk about you may not agree with, but that's alright. You have the opportunity to write me about any of the material I discuss or perhaps something else that is on your mind. I promise you I will write back.

Let's talk about Chiropractic and my center; which is smaller than the 2,000 square foot Hudson office, but it will not be that way for long.

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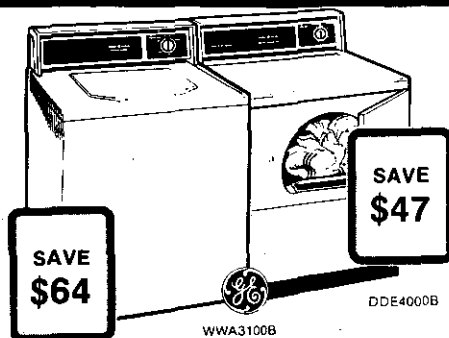
As director of this center I believe that balance is a necessity in all phases of our life, Physical, Mental and Spiritual, for optimum health. In this new year of 1982 I will expand office hours. It is our desire and goal to serve more sick people than last year, to teach more about the care of the spine. This in turn will improve peoples' health and ultimately change their attitude about life.

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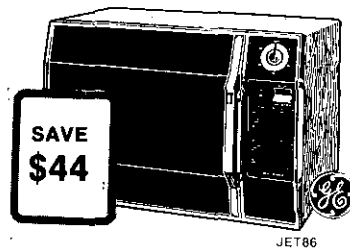
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Town of Bethlehem Town Board, second and fourth Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.; Board of Appeals, first and third Wednesdays at 8 p.m.; Planning Board, first and third Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.; Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave. Town offices are open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Village of Voorheesville Board of Trustees, fourth Tuesday at 8 p.m.; Planning Commission third Tuesday at 7 p.m.; Zoning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7 p.m., when agenda warrants. Village Hall, 29 Voorheesville Ave.

Tri-Village FISH, 24-hour-a-day voluntary service year 'round, offered by residents of Delmar, Elsmere and Slingerlands to help their neighbors in any emergency. 439-3578.

Bethlehem Women's Republican Club, third Monday at Bethlehem Library, except June, July, August and December, 7:30 p.m.

Town of New Scotland Town Board meets first Wednesday at 8 p.m.; Planning Board second and fourth Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.; Board of Appeals meets when necessary, usually Fridays at 7 p.m., town hall, Rt. 85.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 4

Free Income Tax Assistance for retired persons, sponsored by AARP, Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., 1-5 p.m. by appointment only. Sign up at Bethlehem Senior Citizens meetings Thursday afternoons at town hall.

New Scotland Kiwanis Club, Thursdays, New Scotland Presbyterian Church, Rt. 85, 7 p.m.

Bethlehem Senior Citizens meet every Thursday at the Bethlehem Town Hall, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 12:30 p.m.

Bethlehem Art Association meeting with historian Charlotte Tur-off speaking about "Abstract Art and how not to be afraid of it," open to the public with \$1 donation, Adams House (old town hall) 8 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 5

Recovery, Inc., self-help for former mental patients and those with chronic nervous symptoms. First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar, weekly at 12:30 p.m.

area arts

A capsule listing of cultural events easily accessible to Bethlehem-New Scotland residents, provided as a community service by the General Electric Co. plastics plant, Selkirk. Phone numbers are for information and tickets.

THEATER

"Antigone" (Sophocles' play presented by Empire State Youth Theater), The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany, **Feb. 1-5**, 10 a.m., **Feb. 5 and 6**, 7:30 p.m. Community Box Office or Egg box office, 473-3750.

"A Chorus Line" (the award-winning Broadway musical), Proctor's Theater, Schenectady, **Feb. 4-6**, 8 p.m., **Feb. 6**, 2 p.m. Box office 346-6204.

MUSIC

Jazz Styles of Ray Rettig, State University at Albany Performing Arts Center, **Feb. 5**, 8 p.m.

Anne Turner, soprano, in recital at Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, **Feb. 6**, 8 p.m.

Albany Pro Musica (area's newest choral group sings Stravinsky and Haydn), St. John's Episcopal Church, First and Liberty Sts., Troy, **Feb. 7**, 3 p.m.

Pepsi Bethel and his Authentic Jazz Dance Theater, Performing Arts Center, State University at Albany, **Feb. 12 and 13**, 8 p.m.

Jean-Pierre Rampal (classical and jazz flutist), Troy Savings Bank Music Hall, **Feb. 15**, 8:30 p.m. Box office 273-0038 or Community Box Office.

ART

One Hundred Area Artists, mid-winter show at Albany Institute of History and Art, 125 Washington Ave., Albany, reception **Feb. 5**, 5-7 p.m., show runs **Feb. 9-27**.

Chinese Art Display (part of State University at Albany's World Week), Red Carpet Lounge, uptown library, **Feb. 11**, 10 a.m.-6 p.m.

Helen St. Clair paintings, Center Galleries, 75 New Scotland Ave., Albany, **to Feb. 26**, hours Monday-Thursday noon-5 p.m., Fridays noon-7 p.m.

Wood engravings by Barry Moser, Picotte Gallery, College of Saint Rose, 324 State St., Albany, **through Feb. 21**. Open Sunday-Friday, 12:30-4:30 p.m.

American Images, contemporary photographs by 20 major photographers, New York State Museum, Empire State Plaza, Albany, **through mid-March**.

Ralph Prata, concrete reliefs, and Terry Robbins, mixed media paintings, Rensselaer County Council for the Arts, 189 Second St., Troy, **through Feb. 13**, Tuesday-Sunday, noon to 5 p.m.

FILM

"The Man" (James Earl Jones, Martin Balsam and Burgess Meredith), Albany Public Library, **Feb. 9**, 2 and 8 p.m.

"Rashomon" (Japanese with subtitles), Albany Public Library, **Feb. 11**, 8 p.m.

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Snow Ball, kicks off Bethlehem's Winter Carnival Weekend, at BCHS with music by Fusion, 8 p.m.

Preschool Films, "Little Toot," "New Friends" and "Morris, the Midget Moose," Bethlehem Public Library, 30-minute programs beginning at 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.

Afterschool Films, "The Puppy Who Wanted a Boy" and "The Red Balloon," Bethlehem Public Library, 4 p.m.

Junior High Activities Night, Voorheesville Junior High School, 7-10 p.m.

Friday Night at the Movies, featuring "Of Mice and Men," starring Lon Chaney, Jr. and Burgess Meredith, Bethlehem Public Library community room, 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6

Bethlehem Winter Carnival, with movies, ice skating shows, hockey clinic, a snow king and queen, ice skating races and snowmobile rides, noon to dusk, with moonlight skating party 6:30-8:30 p.m. Elm Ave. Park.

Roast Turkey Dinner, Bethlehem Grange, Rt. 396 at Beckers Cor-

ners, from 4:30 p.m. Also "This 'n That Sale." Reservations, 463-0693 or 767-9165.

Bethlehem Tomboys softball league registration, Bethlehem Public Library, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Girls must be nine by Dec. 1, 1982, proof of age required for new registrants. Parents must accompany children.

Guided Ski, Snowshoe or Foot Hike, Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, Game Farm Rd., Delmar, 2 p.m.

Christian Brothers Academy scholarship exam 8:30 a.m. - noon.

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 7

"The Kings Kids" concert, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m.

Tri-Village Nursery School open house for parents of prospective three- and four-year-old students, with their children, First United Methodist Church, Delmar, 2-4 p.m.

Slingerlands Cooperative Nursery School open house for parents of prospective three- and four-year-old students and their children, United Methodist Church, 1499 New Scotland Rd., Slingerlands, 1-5 p.m.

"Christian Fathering," Focus on Family film series with Dr. James C. Dobson, Bethlehem Community Church, 201 Elm Ave., Delmar, 7 p.m.

Albany Academy for Boys, open house for parents and prospective candidates for admission, 2-4:30 p.m.

Albany Academy for Girls, open house, pre K-12, 2-4:30 p.m.

Doane Stuart school, open house, Pre K-12, 2-4:30 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 8

Delmar Kiwanis meets Mondays at Starlite Lounge, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, 6:15 p.m.

Board of Education meeting, Voorheesville High School, 8 p.m.

Delmar Community Orchestra, Bethlehem Town Hall, weekly at 7:30 p.m.

Village Artists, artists interested in painting in various media, Mondays at 7 p.m. at the Slingerlands Community Church, October through April. New members welcome.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

Glenmont PTA parents program, psychologist Steven Benson on "Social-emotional growth," Glenmont Elementary School, 8 p.m.

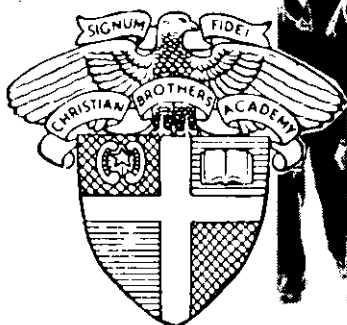
Tri-Village Welcome Wagon luncheon, Delmar Reformed Church, 386 Delaware Ave., Delmar, noon. Reservations by Feb. 2 \$5 to Candice Gates, 10 E. Bayberry Rd., Glenmont, 12077.

Slingerlands Home Bureau, second Tuesday of each month, Delmar Reformed Church, 7:30 p.m.

Beginners Bible Study, Thursdays at home of Dr. Barile, 10 Grove St., Delmar, 8 p.m. Call 439-0981 for seating.

Delmar Progress Club literature, Mossin residence, 132 Salisbury Rd., 1:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Voorheesville village board, on proposed ordinance to impose a 5-ton weight limit, with certain exceptions, on vehicles on Pine St., Voorheesville village hall, 7:15 p.m.



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7:30 p.m.

Public Hearing, Bethlehem Planning Board, on application of Richard & Robert Simon, executors of Max R. Simon estate, for approval of 6 lots (Darroch Gardens Subdivision) located on the northwest and southeast sides of Darroch Rd., adjoining and southwest of Rowland Ave., Bethlehem town hall, 7:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10

New Scotland Elks Lodge 2661, meet second and fourth Wednesdays at Happy's Coach House, New Salem, 8 p.m.

Bethlehem Tomboys softball league registration, Bethlehem Public Library, 7-9 p.m. Girls must be nine by Dec. 1, 1982, proof of age required for new registrants. Parents must accompany children.

Delmar Fire District regular meetings second and fourth Wednesdays, Delmar Fire Station, 7:30 p.m.

Second Milers, second Wednesdays, Delmar Methodist Church, 12:30 p.m. Reservations 439-3569.

Slingerlands Fire Co. Auxiliary, fourth Wednesday, Slingerlands Fire Hall, 8 p.m.

Free Income Tax Assistance for retired persons, sponsored by AARP, Key Bank community room, 343 Delaware Ave., Delmar, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; Glenmont Community Reformed Church, 1 Chapel Lane, Glenmont, 1-4 p.m. by appointment only. Call Lucille Ott, 439-6145. Wednesdays until April 15.

Red Men, second Wednesday, St. Stephen's Church, Elsmere, 7:30 p.m.

Fireside Chat Seminar on "The Moral Majority, is it the appropriate Christian response to today's issues?" and led by Father Charles Murphy, Albany Law School chaplain, Delmar Reformed Church, Delaware Avenue, 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 11

Information Session for parents of Voorheesville eighth graders, junior high school library at 7:30 p.m.

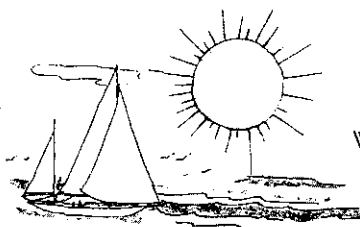
Elsmere Fire Co. Auxiliary meets second Thursday of each month, except July and August, at the fire house, Poplar Dr., Elsmere, 8 p.m.

Valentine's Party-American Heart Association Fundraiser, featuring the sale of plants, handicrafts, costume jewelry, and other handmade articles. Good Samaritan Nursing Home.

Helderview Garden Club with a guest speaker on herbs, Voorheesville Methodist Church, 7:15 p.m.

Life-Figure Drawing Classes to begin for those with a \$6 prepayment for the three sessions on Thursdays, Adams House (old town hall), 7:30 p.m.

Free Valentine Card Design Program for adult-accompanied preschoolers and elementary school students who have been pre-registered by calling 439-9314, Bethlehem Public Library children's room, 10:30 a.m. for preschoolers and 4 p.m. for elementary school pupils.



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BETHLEHEM

Youth council seeks a solid beginning

No one expected it to be an overnight success, and it hasn't been. Bethlehem's embryonic youth council, formed last June in response to community concerns about drug and alcohol abuse, is still trying to come up with a plan.

But neither Philip Maher nor Lawrence Zinn, the town and school district representatives on the council, feel the time has been ill spent.

"We don't want to stumble," said Maher recently, explaining the council's cautious start. "It's been long enough without having to start over."

The council has been meeting regularly, working first to build a sense of trust and unity and, more recently, to define its goals, said Maher. In that effort they have the help of the new federally-funded Prevention, Education and Training Program operating out of the Albany County Health Department.

"They're putting us through a problem-solving model," Maher said. "We're trying to identify more specifically what we are doing in the community."

The process, developed at Adelphi University, is designed to stimulate members of groups to listen to each other and think creatively. The youth council is composed of students from Bethlehem Central, Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk and Guilderland high schools (all residents of Bethlehem), representatives of the Tri Village Clergy and town business and service clubs, as well as Maher, who is Bethle-

hem parks and recreation administrator, and Zinn, superintendent of the Bethlehem Central school district.

Rev. Kenneth Gregory of St. Thomas Church, the church representative on the board, says he's impressed by the high attendance at meetings and the willingness of the youth representatives to see it through. "The process is long, involved," he said.

One common thread appears to run through the discussions: drug and alcohol abuse is no greater or less a problem in Bethlehem than it is anywhere else, and can't be dealt with as a single issue.

"We don't want to get painted into that corner," says Father Gregory.

Two more direct approaches to drug and alcohol abuse in Bethlehem are already in the works. Bethlehem Central is in the process of reexamining its health curriculum in the light of new state guidelines and is applying for a federal grant which would provide specialized training for "a fairly large group" of teachers, counselors and parents, Zinn said.

And the Project Equinox satellite office in Delmar is moving to a more accessible location on Delaware Ave. The satellite office was opened last summer and has so far had only spotty success in attracting clients. Professional staffers are available for counseling sessions.

As before, the office will be open by appointment only, and interested persons should call 434-6135.



Pinatas, those Mexican pottery vessels which are filled with candy and broken at holidays, make fine decorations any time of the year. These pinatas, held by Bethlehem Central Middle School students Teresa Allen, Jill Ayers, Molly Graham and Katie Green, will adorn the Bethlehem Public Library for the next several months. The middle school project was directed by Spanish teacher Mrs. I. Pickett.

Spotlight

'Oh! What a breathtaking sight'

"When all is said and done, The family poet is our son."

That was one parent's contribution to a Celebration of Poetry held recently in a Slingerlands School classroom. The "ticket of admission" to this event, the culmination of a special unit on poetry, was a poem—original or remembered. Parents came prepared to recite, as well as to enjoy the recitations of their children.

Only Principal Dave

Murphy seemed caught by surprise when his turn came, after the class members' portion of the program—and the punch and cookies time—were over. But he managed a flawless, front-of-room rendition of "Little Boy Blue" after saying he'd learned it as a child from his father.

As appreciative as the children were of their parents'—and their principal's—poetry, an applause meter would have awarded

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the top guest prize to three-year-old Jimmy Bragle, brother of Meg, for his impassioned "Wee Willie Winkie."

The 4th and 5th-graders in the enrichment unit taught by Maureen Wiltse, an Elsmere School teacher on sabbatical leave, recited original poems they had written in conjunction with their classroom study of explorers and exploration.

The curriculum unit she has prepared will soon be available to all elementary teachers in the Bethlehem School District. "It includes activities that call for high level thinking skills," she explained later. So while it is readily adaptable to entire classes, it can also be used with selected groups of exceptionally capable students.

Her Slingerlands students, meeting on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons during recent weeks, learned to channel their poetic urges into many different forms: couplets, triplets, cinquain, free verse, haiku, senryu, diamante, limerick, lyric poetry, story poems, poetic graphs, and comparative poetry. They learned to recognize--and use--simile, metaphor, and alliteration.

Here is some of their poetry:

Space, by Marilyn Kirk

*Glorious planets look so
delicate in the night
While the radiant stars
shine so bright
Oh! What a breathtaking
sight*

**The Explorer, by Danny
Blaustein**

*His ropes are his wings
His shovel a twig
The sea, the air
His boat is his magic
His land, his home
Which he protects
The explorer is like
A beautiful bird*

**The Ship's Trash, by Gino
Mirabelli**

The trash of a ship is slimy,

*It can also be neat
But don't look at it too
long
Or your face will turn
green
With its rotten gunky stuff
Reminding you of punky
stuff
If you look at an apple
long enough
You'll begin to hate the
stuff
Your face will turn
purple,
Your stomach shall crash
So never look too long at
the trash*

The "Celebration of Poetry" was a happy event, allowing children and parents to enjoy their creative efforts together. This poem by one of the students might serve to sum up the experience:

Exploring, by Deneige Barlow

*Finding new things under
the ground,
Discovering things that
make a sound
Making a trip that no
one else had,
Doing something that
makes someone glad*

On the cover: Reciting for parents and classmates are, from left, Evelyn Wright, Christina Manning, Deanna Greer, Gwen Jones, Christy Vines, Laura Herzog and Steve Hunsberger. *Spotlight*

Father Martin at Palace

The Albany County Citizen's Council on Alcoholism has announced that Father Joseph Martin, a nationally-recognized speaker on alcoholism, will be in Albany Tuesday for the first Youth Alcoholism Awareness Day. He will speak to area students in the afternoon at the Palace Theater, and will return in the evening to address the public.

Denis Foley, chairman of Albany County Citizen's Council on Alcoholism said that public interest in this event almost guarantees a full house for both presentations. The purpose of the Awareness Day is to educate youth and the community to the problems involved in excessive drinking.

The afternoon program will start at noon and will

feature, in addition to Father Martin, students from various areas of the state examining contemporary music and other drug-related media.

The evening program is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$3 at the Palace Theater Box Office.

Strays on the increase

Abandoned and stray dogs are becoming a problem in the Town of Bethlehem, according to Dog Warden Red Ray.

During the week of Jan. 3 Ray collected 11 dogs without license tags or other identification and turned them over to the Mohawk-Hudson River Humane Society.

Because the problem seems to be on the increase, Ray has issued a request: Persons who wish to get rid of a dog should call town hall, 439-4955, between 8:30 a.m. and 3 p.m.,

weekdays; the dog warden will pick up the dog.

Search on for POW's

The Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion post in Delmar is participating in the nationwide effort to identify all living former prisoners of war.

The legion is assisting the Veteran's Administration in implementing the Prisoners of War Benefit Act of 1981, which provides additional benefits to former prisoners of war, according to Blanchard Post Commander Robert Glastetter.

Glastetter said all former POWs should contact him or George Sykes, post service officer. And all members of the post are asked to report the names of any former POW they may have knowledge of, Glastetter said.

Pistol club active

Pete Colton has been re-elected president of the Albany County Pistol Club. The club is seeking new members for meetings Tuesday nights at the range, phone 439-0057. Other officers renamed at the Jan. 26 meeting at the Starlite Lounge, Rt. 9W, Glenmont, are: Tom Spinosa, vice president; Dave Herbach, secretary; Paul Giamatteo, treasurer; Tom Corrigan, executive officer, and Collin Bursey, chief instructor and range officer.

Family planning course

A natural family planning course, given by Family Life Information Center, Inc., will begin on Friday Feb. 5, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Room 3513, Cusack Wing, St. Peter's Hospital.



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When Mrs. Catherine Gifford's husband went to St. Peter's Hospital with pneumonia in 1978, she knew it was the beginning of the end of her comfortable existence. Lawrence Gifford had Alzheimer's Disease, a progressive, irreversible brain disease, and the time had passed when she could take care of him by herself.

"When he was hospitalized that time, I just didn't know where to turn," she says. "We had been well all our married lives."

Fortunately, the discharge nurse at St. Peter's put Mrs. Gifford in touch with the Visiting Nurse Association of Albany County, and when it was time for Mr. Gifford to go home to Elsmere, "Mary Ann was there."

Three years later, Mary Ann Raeder, R.N., is still there, more or less a member of the family. These days she visits only once every other

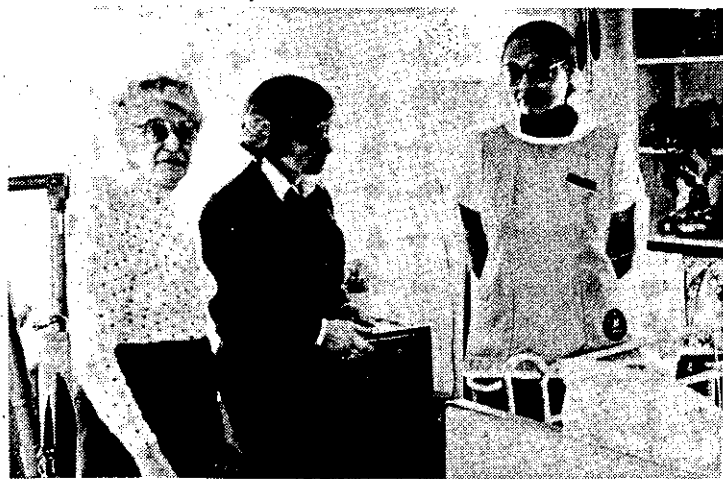
week, because that's all Mrs. Gifford needs now.

For one thing, Mrs. Raeder taught her a lot about caring for her husband herself. "I feel just... confident," she says.

"And they were concerned about me too. Mary Ann was always cautioning me about my health."

Also, there is Michelle DuHaney, a home health aide who after two years at the Giffords is also like a member of the family. She comes weekdays, three hours a day, to give Mrs. Gifford time for herself and to help out with Mr. Gifford's feeding and personal hygiene. Another health aide comes weekends.

Making a serious illness manageable for both the patient and the family is what the Visiting Nurses are all about. The savings in home care are, of course, considerable, but the major benefit to people like Lawrence Gifford may well be that they can



Mrs. Catherine Gifford with her frequent visitors, Mary Ann Raeder, R.N., and Michelle DuHaney, the home health aide who assists her in caring for her husband.

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remain in familiar surroundings.

"He does much better at home," says Mrs. Gifford. "He can orient himself."

As the Gifford story illustrates, the VNA is a great deal more than nursing services. Using a teamwork approach, the association can provide physical therapy, occupational therapy, speech therapy, nutritional guidance and counseling. The staff includes 40 nurses, 80 home health aides, 13 therapists, a nutritionist, a medical social worker and a counselor. VNA staffers made 69,485 visits to 3,556 patients during 1980.

Most patients are referred to the VNA by doctors or hospitals, but that's not always the case. "Sometimes if somebody next door is sick we hear about it," say Mrs. Raeder. When that happens, the VNA's own intake nurse assesses the situation.

Founded in 1880 as the "Fruit and Flower Mission" and originally intended to help the sick, aged and poor in Albany, the VNA's mission has broadened over the years to cover most of Albany County and persons in many different financial situations. Most VNA services are covered by some form of insurance, primarily Medicare and Medicaid, but contributions provide support for some patients who have no insurance or other means of payment.

Visiting nurses booklet

A new booklet, "Nursing... and More," describing the various services available from the Visiting Nurse Association of Albany, Inc. is available to the public. Free copies may be obtained by writing to the Visiting Nurse Association of Albany, Inc., 35 Colvin Ave., Albany, 12206.

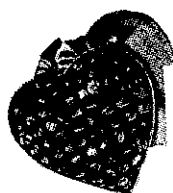
Heart patients wanted

A researcher at Albany Medical College is looking for persons who suffer from both high blood pressure and angina pectoris to participate in testing of a drug that has been used in Europe but is new to the United States.

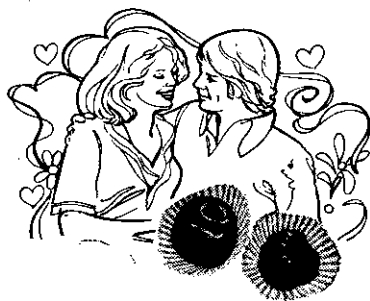
The drug is Labetalol, which, according to Dr. Steven Fine, an assistant professor at the college, is a sympathetic blanketer that blunts the body's response to stress. Schering Drug Co. is interested in marketing the drug in the United States, he said.

Labetalol has been used to treat high blood pressure in Scandinavia and England, but the drug may also be useful for patients with angina pectoris, Dr. Fine said. The test, which will be free of charge, will involve taking the drug for a six-month period and having weekly checkups. Interested persons may contact Dr. Fine at 445-5201.

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New duties set for councilmen

Ruth Bickel may never make an arrest, and John Geurtze may never patch a town road, but under Supervisor Tom Corrigan's new "liaison" system those Bethlehem town board members should know quite a bit about the departments which do.

"And if somebody gets mad at me, they can go over my head," Corrigan joked at last week's town board meeting after he had read off his list of "assignments."

The system does not place direct control of any town department with an individual council member — that remains with Corrigan, the full-time supervisor — but gives each a specific area of responsibility. The system dates back many years "but it kind of fell into disuse," Corrigan said.

Mrs. Bickel will be responsible for police, the town justices and the receiver of taxes. Geurtze has the Highway Department, the Building Department and the planning board. Councilman Scott Prothero has parks and recreation, the comptroller's office and the board of appeals. And Robert Hendrick, the newest board member, has public works, the assessor's office and the town clerk.

In other action Wednesday, the town board:

- Awarded a contract for water meters to Rockwell International after throwing out two lower bids. Public Works Commissioner Bruce Secor explained that the other bidders offered meters that didn't measure up to town specifications, which call for "Rockwell or equal" meters.
- Appointed Philip Maher administrator of the parks and recreation department with civil service status, and Bruce Austin assistant administrator of the department. They were the only two to pass the civil service exams for their respective jobs.
- Authorized Corrigan to apply for state aid for the

town sewage treatment plant, a routine yearly grant which normally covers 25 to 35 percent of the cost of operations.

- Agreed to hold a public hearing Feb. 24 to straighten out an ambiguity in the wording of the town's snowmobile ordinance. The ordinance now prohibits snowmobile riding from 12 p.m. to 7 a.m.; that will be changed to 12 midnight to 7 a.m.

- Discussed sidewalk plowing after several persons expressed surprise that property owners are obligated to shovel their own walks even though the town has a sidewalk plow. The plow, said Corrigan, "is designed to clear a path. It would be physically impossible for us to shovel all the sidewalks." Town attorney Bernard Kaplowitz said the town has no penalty to assess against property owners who don't keep their walks clear. "The most they could do is a small fine, but you could still say, 'I'll pay the fine.'"

To vote on settlement

Both sides were scheduled to vote Wednesday on a negotiated settlement in the contract talks by the Bethlehem Central School District and the union representing its noninstructional employees.

Charles Preska, president of the Bethlehem Central United Employees Association, said the settlement calls for a three-year contract, retroactive to July 1, 1981, with raises of 8 percent the first year, 7½ percent the second and 6 percent the third.

Preska said the settlement provides "a little something for everybody."

Union members were to vote by paper ballot during the day, and the school board was expected to vote on the contract in the evening.

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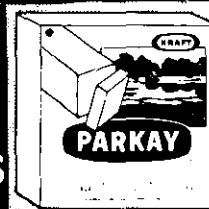
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Doubts surface on zoning plan

The Bethlehem Town Board will review the planning board's sweeping proposals for site plan review in commercial districts at its meeting Feb. 10, but there are already some doubts that the plan will be approved as proposed.

The planning board at its meeting Jan. 18 unanimously approved an amendment to the zoning ordinance that would apply the site plan approval procedure adopted last year for residential zones to most commercial sites in the town. This would give the board the power to review — and approve or disapprove — almost any commercial construction or changes in a commercial operation even when no zoning change is required.

"There's no question we need control," Supervisor Tom Corrigan said Friday. "But it's more bureaucracy — that's what I'm always concerned about."

Corrigan said the town board hasn't had a chance to take a good look at the plan yet, but his own questions center on the sections dealing with historic sites and with the conversion of buildings zoned commercial but having residential uses.

The plan would require site plan approval for any commercial use within 500 feet of

an historic district, a provision most observers say is a response to a proposed shopping center near the Toll Gate intersection in Slingerlands, which is adjacent to the Slingerland burial ground. But Corrigan noted that it is possible that other historic districts or sites will be designated in the town. And, he said, if the town is going to consider special protection for historic districts, "what about churches?"

The plan would also require site plan approval for commercially-zoned properties abutting a residential area.

Slow down on bridge

The speed limit on the Normanskill bridge over Rt. 9W, which is to be replaced in about five years, has been ordered reduced to insure the bridge lasts that long.

The new 30 m.p.h. speed limit should reduce the stress on the bridge caused by heavy trucks, a state Department of Transportation official said Monday. The order came after an analysis of the bridge by the department's Structures Division found a crucial member to be lighter than the original specifications called for, said William Winkler, an engineer in the division. He added that the bridge is sound and the new speed limit should cause no hardship since the limit is already 30 m.p.h. on the Albany side.

DOT officials announced last year plans to build a new bridge over the Normanskill in 1984 or 1985, but no firm date on the project has been set.

Fund raiser moving

A fund-raising lecture by embattled home birth doctor George Wootan of Kingston scheduled for the Bethlehem Central High School auditorium Feb. 24 will still take place, but not at the school, the event's organizer says.

The district administration, which had originally granted permission for the event on the understanding that it was simply a lecture, withdrew that permission after learning that it was intended as a fund raiser, a school district spokesman said. The district's rules on school facility use prohibit activities for which fees are charged unless the

proceeds go to an educational or charitable purpose.

"It's still being scheduled, but I'm not sure where," Phoebe Kerness of Delmar, one of the organizers of the event, said Friday. Probably the lecture will be in Albany on the same date, she said.

Dr. Wootan, whose practice includes the delivery of babies at home, is currently serving the second 60-day suspension of his license to practice while the state Health Department continues to investigate his conduct. He has alleged that the health department is trying to stop the home birth movement. The case has attracted considerable attention.

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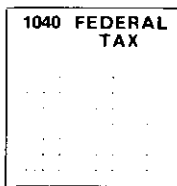
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Schedule set for Winter Carnival

Here is the schedule for Saturday's Bethlehem Winter Carnival at the Elm Ave. Park in Delmar:

- Outdoor movies in the park office will begin at noon and continue throughout the afternoon.

- Also at noon, the ice hockey rink will be the site of two skating shows by the Achilles Figure Skating Club of Schenectady and the Capitaland Ice Skating School.

- At 1 p.m. at the ice hockey rink there will be a hockey clinic featuring instruction by RPI coaches and players.

- The snow king and queen will be presented at 1:30 p.m.

- Ice skating races for skaters of all ages will begin at 1:45 p.m. on the ice hockey rink. Skaters should be sure to sign up at least a half hour before the races are scheduled to begin.

- From 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. snowmobile rides will be offered by members of the Helderberg Ridge Runners Club. The park's snowmobile

course is south of the maintenance road.

- At 3 p.m. the winners of the Bethlehem Lions Club snow sculpture contest will be named.

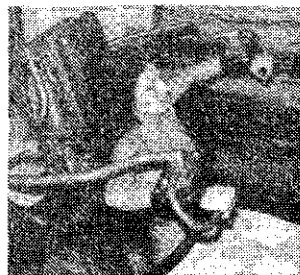
- From 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. there will be a moonlight skating party on the recreational ice.

Snow royalty picked

Bethlehem Central High School students have selected nine candidates for king and queen of the Bethlehem Winter Carnival this weekend. The final voting will take place today (Thursday) and the king and queen will be presented at the Snow Ball Friday at the High School.

The candidates, picked by their classmates, are freshmen Mike Whitney and Nina Berringer, sophomores Rob Irvine and Carol Kendrick, juniors Marc Futia and Diane Wellbrock, seniors Steve Radzynski and Barbara Marden and Linda Thorn-dike, who tied for their class nomination. Diane Wellbrock was last year's snow queen.

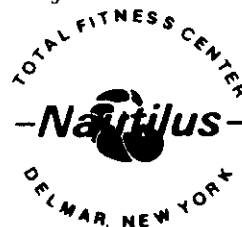
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Sonshine in February

Plans for "February Sonshine," Bethlehem Lutheran Church's special mid-winter vacation celebration for children, are nearing completion.

"The purpose of the three-day program, scheduled Tuesday to Thursday, Feb. 16-18 from 3:15 p.m., is to share the joy of the Gospel of

Jesus Christ with the children ages four years to sixth grade who attend," explains Rev. Warren Winterhoff, pastor of Bethlehem Lutheran.

This is the fourth February Sonshine to be held by the church and will include Bible stories, crafts, games, movies, singing, refreshments, special entertainment and "lots of fun to add warmth and cheer

to the cold and chill of winter."

Announcement fliers will be mailed shortly to those families who have had children attending previous February Sonshine programs. Additional registration forms and information are available at the church office, 85 Elm Ave., Delmar, (439-4328) or through the Sonshine co-

ordinators, Barbara Mabee (767-9441) and Donna Ward (439-3967). There is a \$3 registration fee with a maximum charge of \$6 per family. Registration is limited.

Town Hall hours

Bethlehem Town Hall will be closed Monday, Feb. 15, in observance of George Washington's birthday.



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Wet year eases water woes

There has been enough snow and rain this Winter to forestall any fears of a water shortage in the near future, but New Salem residents plagued by erratic wells still worry about the long-range outlook.

Twice in the last three years, most recently last summer, wells serving several dwellings on Meadowbrook Pl. have run dry. On both occasions, the beleaguered homeowners put the blame on the Bethlehem Water District for pumping several hundred thousand gallons a day from two deep wells less than a mile away.

Bethlehem officials deny the allegation, and last fall showed statistical records from the town's two wells on Rt. 85 that they contend are on a different aquifer than the afflicted private wells.

Mrs. Peter Kazukenas, 10 Meadowbrook Pl., said this week that she and her husband "have had" no problems since they (Bethlehem) stopped pumping one of their wells. The Kazukenas's 68-foot well dried up last Aug. 26, forcing them to drill deeper. They found water at the 77-foot level.

Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Cacace, who live next door at 10 Meadowbrook, complained to New Scotland town officials that their well had run dry last June 23. They also invested in more drilling and found water nine feet deeper.

Both families have their fingers crossed that Bethlehem will not resume pumping in Well No. 2, which has been out of action since late October. Bruce Secor, Bethlehem commissioner of public works, said the No. 2 well was shut down for maintenance purposes and to replace a bearing in the pump. Although the repairs were completed within two weeks, Secor added, the well has remained idle because its water quality is not as high as that in Well No. 1, where 24-hour pumping produces between 400,000 and 500,000 gallons a day.

Secor and Supervisor Tom Corrigan met with the Kazukenases and Cacaces last Nov. 24 to discuss the situation. Also present were New Scotland Supervisor Steve Wallace and three members of the New Scotland town board.

Mrs. Kazukenas said she was going to call Secor this week to remind him of his promise to give her advance notice of any decision to resume pumping Well No. 2. "He promised to measure our well before he starts pumping again," she said.

Secor said this week that the town's Vly Reservoir in New Scotland is "at a very satisfactory level" and that he envisions no supply problems for an indefinite period.



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School budget draft up 5 pct.

A preliminary budget of \$5.3 million for the Voorheesville Central School District could jump by another \$60,000 or more with a new union contract for non-instructional employees.

The budget draft released by the board of education at a special meeting last week showed an overall increase of \$256,633, up 5.1 percent from the current year's budgeted total. The actual expenditures for 1981-82 will not be available before June 30.

Union contract bargaining currently in progress affects office and clerical workers, bus drivers, maintenance workers, special education employees, nurses and others. Salary increases for administrators, principals and supervisory personnel are also tied to a contract settlement.

Elimination of two elementary school teaching positions because of declining enroll-

ment held the increase in the budget's largest item, teacher salaries, to \$113,782, a rise of 6.3 percent. Local teachers won a 9.2-percent pay raise a year ago under a four-year union agreement. The preliminary budget lines for teacher salaries for next year total \$1,918,000 compared to \$1,804,000 in the current budget.

Teacher retirement, the second largest item in the overall budget, is projected at \$515,000, up 14.4 percent from \$450,000 in the present budget. Property owners in New York State school districts are assessed 23.5 percent of payroll for teacher pensions.

Supt. Werner Berglas stated that the district will not have to purchase new buses this year, a major factor in cutting \$27,400 (7 percent) from the transportation budget. That figure represents roughly the expenditures for new buses in the current year, but the total is vulnerable to a new union contract for 15 full-time employees and one part-time employee.

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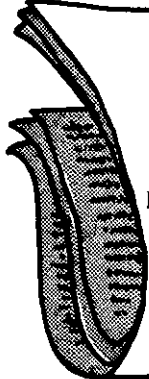
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Maryann Malark 765-4392

At an awards ceremony held recently in the Voorheesville Elementary School, Michael Galusha was presented with an Eagle Scout badge. A member of Voorheesville Boy Scout Troop 73, Michael has been in scouting for four years and has earned 21 merit badges. In order to qualify for an Eagle award, a scout must complete a community service. For his project, Michael constructed a ramp for the handicapped at the Clarksville Community Church.

Voorheesville Public Library has two new publications to assist residents in preparing income tax returns. "Reproducible Federal Tax Forms for Use in Libraries" contains reproducible forms that are acceptable for sub-

mission of a tax return. The other, "Your Federal Income Tax," is a supplementary resource for preparing the returns. Both items are available at the circulation desk.

It's time to start thinking about getting to the PTSA Variety Show-Junction Jamboree. Tickets will be sold at the Voorheesville High School on Feb. 12 from 6 to 7:30 p.m. and Feb. 22 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; at the Grade School on Feb. 11, 22 and 24, from 7:30 to 9 p.m. and Feb. 23 from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. Tickets will be based on seating areas with adult prices running \$2.75, \$2.50 and \$2.25 and students \$2.50, \$2.25, \$2 and \$1.75. For additional ticket information, call Diane Relyea, 765-3681 for the Thursday show; Carolyn McDermott, 765-4500, for the Friday show, and Rosemary Lowery, 861-8738, for the Saturday show. Junction Jamboree will run Feb. 25, 26 and 27.

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Village to ban truck short cut

Homeowners on Pine St., Voorheesville, are expected to turn out in force next Tuesday when the village board is scheduled to ban heavy trucks from their residential street.

The board scheduled a public hearing for Feb. 9 on the proposal to impose a 5-ton weight limit on Pine St. The street is a dog-leg short-cut between Rt. 85A opposite the First Federal bank and Voorheesville Ave. used by truckers to avoid the out-moded railroad underpass on an S-curve on Maple Ave.

At its regular monthly meeting last Tuesday, the five-member board set the hearing date and instructed village attorney Donald Meacham to draft the ordinance. Exceptions will be made for emergency vehicles, trucks making local deliveries and contractor's vehicles doing business on the street. The board is expected to adopt the ordinance at the conclusion of the hearing, scheduled to start at 7:15 p.m.

In other action at the January board session, the trustees:

- Set Feb. 16 as the date for Grievance Night, when village property owners can voice complaints on their assessments. Hours are 5 to 9 p.m.

- Heard a report from Trustee Douglas DeDe that the conservation commission will invite a representative of the state Dept. of Environmental Conservation to its next meeting to discuss Vly Creek trout stocking. The village group has discounted a DEC report that the creek, which flows through Voorheesville, does not qualify for as much trout stocking as in past years. The commission, DeDe said, "is confident the DEC can be persuaded to maintain the stocking level on the basis that the water was too low and the testing period too short" to make an accurate determination.

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What's expected of students

A Behavior Management Committee formed by the Bethlehem Central School District has drawn up a list of "behavioral expectations" for students in Bethlehem schools.

The list, completed in November, will serve as a guide for Bethlehem teachers, and is being printed in the February issue of "Central Highlights" (in the Superintendent's "Talking It Over" column) so parents may also use it and be

aware of the district's behavioral goals.

A more formal approach to behavior management will also soon be piloted by a number of Bethlehem teachers.

Members of the committee, which held its last meeting in November and included teachers, non-instructional employees, parents and administrators.

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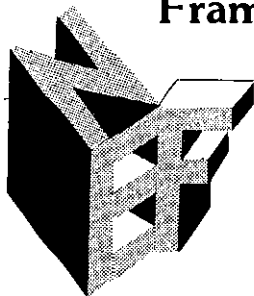
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Alcohol was declared the cause of an accident on Rt. 9W Friday which has left two people in serious condition at Albany Medical Center.

State Police said a vehicle driven south by Rex A. Farr, 27, of Ravena, crossed into the northbound lane of Rt. 9W near Thatcher St., Selkirk, hitting a car driven by Patricia Gayle Carleton, 39, of Ravena, head on. A third car, driven by Karen S. Sack, 30, of Delmar, hit the other two vehicles.

Farr was charged with driving while intoxicated and failing to keep right. He suffered a fractured pelvis and arm. Mrs. Carleton suffered a fractured neck, multiple fractures in both legs and internal injuries.

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Miss Whitman attended the University of Rhode Island and is a graduate of the Rochester Dental Assistants School. She is employed at the Federal Correctional Institute at Raybrook as a dental assistant. Her fiancé is a graduate of Bethlehem Central High School and the State University at Plattsburgh. He is employed by the U.S. Customs Service at Champlain as a customs inspector.

A July 24 wedding date has been set.

51st anniversary dinner

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Nathaniel Adams Blanchard American Legion Post will hold its 51st anniversary dinner Feb. 16 at the post.

A dutch treat cocktail hour from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. will be

followed by a roast beef dinner served by the men of the post. Reservations should be made by Feb. 10 to Rose Mary Blanchard, 462-4691.

Sale at Samaritan

Residents of the Good Samaritan Home on Rockefeller Rd., Elsmere, will be participating in a special fund raising program from 2-4 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 11, to help raise money for the American Heart Association. The residents will have several tables at their Valentine's Party with a variety of articles, from plants and handicrafts to costume jewelry, for sale.

School open house

Tri-Village Nursery School, a cooperative school for 36 years, is holding an open house Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. The school is located in the First United Methodist Church on Kenwood Ave. in Delmar.

A child must be three by Dec. 1 to be eligible for next fall's three-year-old class, and four by Dec. 1 for the four-year-old class.

Tri-Village offers a varied experience for youngsters, with field trips and guests a regular part of the program. For information, contact Maggie Sievert, 439-4229, or Maryellen Blette, 439-5274.

Courses at St. Thomas

Four adult education courses at St. Thomas the Apostle Church in Delmar are continuing this month and places are still open, according to the church's religious education office.

The courses are "Becoming a Catholic — Even if You Happen to Be One" Mondays at 7:30 p.m.; "Liturgy — Celebration of Life" Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.; "The Men Who Wrestled With God" Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. and "Separation, Loss and Change in Our Lives," a two-session workshop which concludes Feb. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

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This month Van Valkenburg is doing his riding in St. Moritz, Switzerland, site of the world two and four-man bobsled championships. He is on the U.S. team by virtue of his team's fourth place finish in the National four-man championships at Mt. Hoevenburg in January.

Van Valkenburg, 23, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Van Valkenburg of Glenmont and a graduate of Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk High School. He got into bobsledding prior to the 1980 Olympics when he saw an ad for crewmen for an experimental sled being developed at RPI. That sled produced little except some spills, but "I stayed with the sport."

And he hopes to stay with it a while longer. Although Bill is assured of a spot on a four-man sled in St. Moritz he won't know until this week if he'll ride on a two-man sled. And a good showing this year is important because next

year's team will probably stay together for the 1984 Olympics, he said.

Indoor tennis starts

The Town of Bethlehem will sponsor an indoor recreational tennis program for adults, beginning Feb. 24, at the Bethlehem Central High School. The program features doubles play, with two courts available from 8 to 9 and 9 to 10 p.m. on Tuesdays. The program is open to residents of the town and Bethlehem school district. There is a \$6 fee for each player. Pre-registration is required at the Elm Ave. Park office, Delmar, weekdays.

Trip to see Knicks

A bus trip to Madison Square Garden, Sunday, Feb. 21, to see the New York Knicks versus the Houston Rockets will be sponsored by the Albany Jewish Community Center. Round trip transportation from the center and admission ticket will be \$22 for center members and \$28 for non-members. Seating is limited and early reservations are suggested. Contact Jay Baron at 438-6651.



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VOLLEYBALL

BC spikers have a good nucleus

Coming off last year's 3-13 season, Bethlehem Central's Coach Ray Sliter would rather recall 1980, when his boy's varsity volleyball team finished 15-1 and were Suburban Council champs. Having coached the sport at BC for eight years, Sliter has boosted the team's cumulative record to 63-47, and this year has his eyes set on a record over .500.

Playing in the shadow of BC basketball, the volleyball players usually come out late and few have court experience. In fact, six of Sliter's starters last year hadn't played before. "But this year experience is probably our strongest point," said Sliter.

Georg Fuhs, a silver medalist at the 1981 Empire State Games and at the Junior Olympics, was named to last year's Suburban Council all-star team. Also returning are seniors Alex Macario and Rick Calhoun. Chris Sheridan, Chris Davis and Finnish exchange student Mika Aakula are playing competitive volleyball for the first time. David Odenkirchen and Ken Hetling, both juniors, have moved up from the JV level for their setting ability. Some team members play on the independent Colonie-SUNYA squad in the fall to sharpen their skills.

For their opener, the Eagles drew the defending Suburban

Council champions, Shenedehowa, and lost, 15-3, 15-5, 15-13.

Julie Ann Sosa

Buckley roast Saturday

The third annual Voorheesville American Legion baseball benefit will feature Tom Buckley of New Salem as the target of a "roast." The benefit dinner is scheduled for Saturday, Feb. 6, at the Legion hall, starting with cocktails at 6 p.m.

Buckley celebrated his 20th year as varsity football coach at Voorheesville High School last season by winning his third Sectional championship in four years. Jerry Gordinier will be roastmaster. Serving with him on the committee is Leo Burgoon. For tickets call either member or the Legion hall. 765-4712.

Snowmobile accident

A Selkirk youth was listed in good condition at Albany Medical Center Monday with a broken left leg after his snowmobile tangled with a car Thursday on Rt. 9W near Pictuay Rd. The snowmobiler, James Weidman, 17, was taken to the hospital by the Delmar Rescue Squad. Neither driver was charged.

Fair signups starting

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BASKETBALL

Turnover woes plague Eagles

With two of the league's tallest forwards, both of whom can shoot with the best of the crop, Bethlehem Central's basketball varsity has no problem manufacturing points — once they get the ball up front.

But all the scoring punch in creation doesn't help if the basketball doesn't get into the front court, and that's what has kept a mediocre team from being a strong contender for the Suburban Council crown. A 12-point loss at Colonie Saturday left the Eagles at 6-6.

The altitudinous Gillespie brothers accounted for the bulk of the scoring in the 86-74 setback. Steve had 22 points and nine rebounds, Pete 21 points and 13 caroms,

but the Eagles committed 33 turnovers.

"We rebound right with them, but when you give the ball up so often, you can't go anywhere," remarked Coach Jim Tedisco. "Our guards have had trouble bringing the ball up against a pressure defense, and it has hurt us all season."

The Eagles were down by six at the midway break, and closed to within four points at 54-40 near the end of the third period. Then the ball started flying away again.

This week BC has two of the weaker teams in the league, Niskayuna Tuesday at home and Columbia at East Greenbush Friday, but only school pride is at stake, not mathematical significance. Next week the Eagles are in the hornet's nest — road games at Burnt Hills and Shenendehowa.

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Burglary arrest

John F. Harr, 17, of Voorheesville, was arrested by Albany County sheriff's deputies last Monday on charges of burglary second degree and grand larceny second degree in connection with the theft of two trail bikes from a residence in the Salem Hills area in December. Deputies said a February court date will be set.

Birthdays for all

The Bethlehem Senior Citizens will celebrate Valentines Day on Thursday, Feb. 11, with a universal birthday celebration. The event will be a part of the group's regular 12:30 p.m. Thursday meeting at the town hall.

The Glenmont Job Corps Center will provide refreshments.

Valentines are Legion

The Voorheesville American Legion post is inviting the public to join members at its Valentines party Saturday, Feb. 13, at 6:30 p.m. at the legion hall. The party will include a pot luck dinner and there will be a \$3 charge. Tickets may be obtained at the post or from Sal Mazzara, 765-2166.

Explore Five Rivers

On Saturday, Feb. 6, at 2 p.m. an opportunity will be available for interested persons

to explore the grounds at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center on Game Farm Rd., Delmar, on a guided ski, snowshoe or foot hike. The two-hour hike will focus on the mysteries of the winter environment, and individuals should bring their own cross-country skis or snowshoes, or plan to hike on foot.

CPR course offered

The Bethlehem Parks and Recreation Department will offer an American Red Cross cardiopulmonary resuscitation course from 7 to 10 p.m. Tuesdays from Feb. 9 through March 9 at the Bethlehem Town Hall.

The course is limited to 10 students and those interested in registering for the course should call Karen Pellettier at 439-0368. There is a charge for instructional materials only.

Nursery school program

Slingerlands Cooperative Nursery School will hold an open house Sunday, Feb. 7, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Slingerlands United Methodist Church. Parents considering September enrollment of children ages 3-4 are invited to a question period with parents of current pupils. For information, call Donna Krouse, registration chairman, 439-4160.

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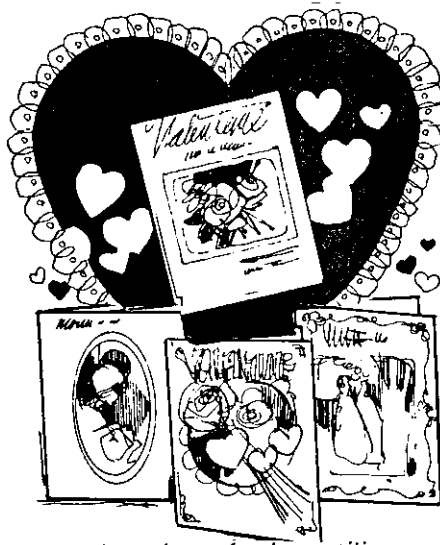
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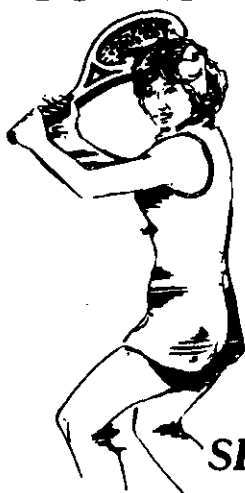
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BASKETBALL

Blackbird five in final drive

With two of their last four games at home, Voorheesville's varsity hoopsters had good field position to make a run for the flag in the home-stretch, but they needed help from other teams.

Two victories last week vaulted the Blackbirds into a second-place tie with slumping Schalmont at 8-4 in the Colonial Council, two games behind 9-2 Watervliet in the critical loss column. Looking beyond the Tuesday date at Cohoes this week, Coach Chuck Abba was grateful for a night off this Friday before a Tuesday home game with Mechanicville Feb. 9. After that, it's Lansingburgh at home before the season-ending showdown at Watervliet Feb. 16.

Abba was especially happy after last week's 70-53 win at Albany Academy. "The kids played aggressive basketball and with confidence. It was good to see them playing with a purpose, and to see them in the right frame of mind on the road. The Academy is a tough place to go, but they were not intimidated, there was no standing around, think the team has jelled."

One of the reasons for Voorheesville's recent success is Jim Harding, the 6-2 senior forward whom Abba calls the most improved player on the team. Harding got only five

points in Friday's 63-40 triumph over Ravena, but, says Abba, he "moves well, rebounds well and does the right things at the right time."

Harding is a key man in Abba's eight-man rotation, a system that allows him to shift the starting lineup from week to week. Last week he was starting Mike Lewis, who led the scoring with 28 at Academy and 22 Friday, Paul Probst and Harding up front, with Jim Meacham and Dickie Lennon in the backcourt. Abba then can go to a versatile bench for Adam Nendza and Dave Haaf for guard relief and to John Zongrone, a sharp-shooting sophomore forward, without giving up a thing.

At Academy, the Blackbirds had a narrow 19-16 bulge at the quarter. Abba put on a full-court press in the second period and his charges pulled away to an 11-point margin at halftime. The lead mushroomed to 25 points with four minutes left.

The Friday game was marred by a parade to the free-throw lines, both teams drawing numerous whistles. The Blackbirds won the messy game from the charity stripe despite erratic shooting, 19 of 35, but Ravena converted only 6 of 21. The officials called 26 fouls on Ravena, 18 on the Blackbirds.

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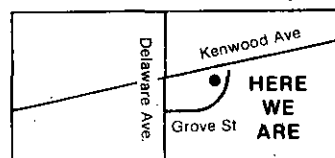
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SWIMMING

Mergers keep churning along

Outstanding performances by several of the area's top swimmers serve to keep morale high on the combined Voorheesville-Guilderland varsity team despite a growing list of defeats.

But everyone on the Adirondack League's smallest squad — it has only 10 members including two eighth graders — continues to put in hours of hard work in the pool and to go all-out in the meets.

That effort continues to pay off in first places, but there are not enough bodies to fill out a full team. If the Mergers had even four or five more swimmers of average ability, plus a diver, they would probably be 6-6 or better instead of 2-10.

Lack of team depth is especially damaging in a six-lane pool where the competing teams can enter three instead of two swimmers. In the big tank at Albany High last Thursday, the Mergers won nine of the 11 events, but

lost the meet to a team they had beaten at Voorheesville earlier. Coach Nadine Bassler had to give away 13 points in the diving and had empty lanes in other events, but it was still close: Albany won by a skinny 86-82 margin.

Ricky Bult and Dirk Applegate were triple winners and Kevin Anderson had a double. Bult won the 50 sprint, took the 500 with his best time this year (5:09) and anchored the victorious freestyle relay. Applegate won the 100 free in 50 seconds, the 200 in 1:54 and swam the first leg of the relay. Anderson won the breaststroke in 1:06 and helped in the medley relay win.

Kathy Riley gave the Mergers a 1-2 finish in two events by placing second in the 200 and 500, and swam the third leg on the 400-yard freestyle relay.

Troy will be in Voorheesville Friday at 4 and Albany Academy at 4 p.m. Wednesday.

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- Mon, Feb 3** Indoor track, relay finals at Armory 4:30
Girls' Basketball, Guilderland, away 6:30
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WRESTLING

Matmen tune up for Sectionals

This weekend's Suburban Council tournament, an invitational with 17 teams, will give local wrestling coaches a preview of the Section 2 championships coming to Delmar Feb. 19-20.

Meanwhile Coach Rick Poplaski's Bethlehem Central varsity has two league meets and one non-league foray to

get ready for the Sectionals. The Eagles devastated Guildland (67-10) and Shaker (67-12) last week and defeated Averill Park and Columbia in a double-dual donnybrook at BC Saturday.

The 36-33 squeaker over Averill Park was only AP's second loss of the season. The Columbia score was 65-9 and put the Eagles at 9-3, 5-3 in the league, going into matches at Mohonasen Wednesday, Colonie next Tuesday and Amsterdam on Feb. 12. Bethlehem has lost to Shenendehowa and Burnt Hills, both undefeated going into their own matchup this week, and to 9-2 Saratoga.

Two BC grapplers, Eric Bryant and Al Marwill, have not lost to a Section 2 opponent this year. Bryant is 17-1 at 91 pounds, losing only to a Pennsylvania wrestler in a recent tournament, and Marwill is 18-2 at 167 pounds. Both are seniors.

Other strong pointmakers are Paul Dorsey 17-4 at 177 pounds, Nico Costaldo 15-5-1 at 145, Chris Essex 11-5 at 155, and Paul Callanan 14-6 at 112 pounds.

Tomboys times

Hours for the Bethlehem Tomboys softball league registration this Saturday were incorrectly listed in last week's Spotlight. The correct times are 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Alan Tinsman of Bethlehem Central pins a Shenendehowa opponent in a varsity wrestling match in Delmar. *R.H. Davis*

BC girls victors

With midyear exams over, Bethlehem Central's varsity basketball girls took their home court with clear minds on Friday to defeat Guilderland, 37-31, and boost their record to 4-3.

Operating without Sandy Schelmerdine, their play-making guard, the Eagles staved off a late Guilderland rally as Karen Bruni scored eight points in the fourth quarter. Beth McGaughan led the BC scoring with 11

points, including five in the third period after Bethlehem's early lead had dwindled to 17-16 at halftime. Kim Zornow had 13 rebounds.

With three of his starters still injured and another playing varsity, JV Coach Jesse Braverman got 21 points from Mary Brooks, but BC's record fell to 5-2 when they lost a 34-32 heartbreaker.

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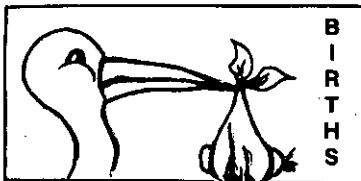
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Art Association moves

The Bethlehem Art Association is moving into its new quarters upstairs in the Adams House, the old town hall on Delaware Ave., with a program on abstract art tonight

(Thursday) and classes starting next week.

The monthly meeting tonight at 8 p.m. will feature art historian Charlotte Turoff with a slide talk on "abstract art and how not to be afraid of it."

On Feb. 11, the association starts the first of three Thursday evening life figure drawing classes. A prepayment of 16 for the three sessions is required.

The association will also participate in an exhibit and sale at Colonie Center through Feb. 6.

Kum Quat canceled

After careful deliberation, Samuel Bozzella, Bethlehem Central High School's music director, and the wind ensemble he conducts have decided to cancel 1982's Cubie Kum Quat dance, a cabaret-style fund-raiser that is a 15 year-old tradition at BC.

To help raise money for the musicians' exchange concert trip to Deerfield High School in Fall River, Mass. the high schoolers have decided to stand by their St. Patrick's Day green carnation sale at the school and their popular submarine sale in early April.

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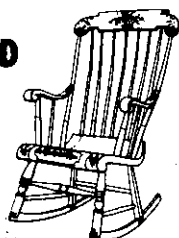
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